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Baucus Announces Hearing on the Final Report Produced by the President's Commission to Strengthen Social Security

Hearing: The Final Report produced by the President's Commission to

Strengthen Social Security

Date/Time: Thursday, October 3, 2002, at 10:00 a.m.

Location: 215 Dirksen Senate Office Building

Witness List

Esther "Tess" Canja, Immediate Past President, AARP;

The Honorable Barbara B. Kennelly, President and CEO, The National Committee to Preserve Social Security and Medicare;

Robert Greenstein, Executive Director, Center on Budget and Policy Priorities;

Robert Bixby, Executive Director, The Concord Coalition;

Peter R. Orszag, Joseph A. Pechman Senior Fellow, Brookings Institution;

Andrew Biggs, Social Security Analyst, The CATO Institute; and

Marty Ford, Co-Chair Social Security Task Force, Consortium for Citizens with Disabilities

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Written Statements: Any individuals or organizations wanting to present their views on these hearings to the Committee are urged to submit a typewritten, single-spaced, single-sided statement, not exceeding 10 pages in length, for inclusion in the hearing record. The date and subject of the hearing must appear on the first page of the statement. Three copies of the statement should be mailed to the Editorial Section, United States Senate, Committee on Finance, Washington, D.C. 20510. Two copies should be mailed to Kolan Davis, Minority Staff Director, United States Senate, Committee on Finance, 219 Dirksen Senate Office Building, Washington, D.C. 20510. Statements must be received no later than noon on Thursday, October 17, 2002. Written statements must also be submitted on diskette in a format that can be read by personal computers (Word perfect text is preferred; other formats will be accepted -- please identify format).